

The Coming of the Lord, the Last Days, and the End of the World

As Taught by Jesus and His Apostles

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Major Misconceptions and Errors

There is a major misconception and error in most modern day minds concerning the meaning of these terms, and that is any time these terms are used, they always refer to a future time at the end of the church age, the end of time, or the end of this physical world we live in today. People never seem to stop long enough to study their Bibles and see how these terms were used by Jesus and his Apostles, or they would realize they used these terms as to something that would take place in their generation to end the Jewish age of law keeping and to fully establish his New Covenant Kingdom in the earth.

This has resulted in TWO DIFFERENT VIEWPOINTS of prophecy today with each having about three different viewpoints branching off of the main position.

FUTURIST

These things are all future, as well as the Great Tribulation, a seven year future period created by putting a gap of 2000 (and still counting) years between the 69th and 70'th week of Daniel's prophecy, which the Bible says nothing about a gap in the weeks. Men have decided Jesus Christ and his Spiritual Kingdom (Church), never fulfilled the six points that had to take place during this time frame, but believe it must have a literal physical fulfillment in the earth. The Scriptures plainly teach that Jesus Christ literally and spiritually fulfilled all these things when he was cut off in the midst of the week causing the sacrifice and the oblation (animal sacrifices) to cease. Futurists also believe that the book of Revelation is the story of this Great Tribulation period that is to take place in the future at the Coming of the Lord and the end of the

World. They hold three different viewpoints on this depending on where they place the rapture of the church. PRE, MID, or POST TRIBULATION.

HISTORICAL

They believe that most or all of these prophecies were fulfilled in the generation which Jesus and the Apostles lived and was concluded with the destruction of Jerusalem and the old covenant worship system (animal sacrifices) in 70 AD. This was the sign to all men that the New Covenant system was fully established in the earth as the method of salvation.

There are three viewpoints in this camp of believers as well. Let me state them now to avoid misrepresenting any of them in my general descriptions of the historical viewpoint, although nearly all historists believe the church (Jew and Gentile in one body) is Spiritual Israel and Daniel's 70 weeks were fulfilled by Jesus Christ without a gap.

HISTORIST

They believe that most prophecy is history but was fulfilled over time in history and see Rome or the Catholic Church as Revelation's Babylon the Great.

PARTIAL **PRETERIST** (PAST)

Most believe the Church is the True Israel, Daniel's 70 weeks are fulfilled, the Great Tribulation was the destruction of Jerusalem in 70 AD, therefore Mathew 24 was fulfilled in that generation, and the first 19 chapters of the book of Rev. are fulfilled, and the others are being fulfilled in the church. They believe there still is a final coming of the Lord to end the church age and resurrect the dead even though the destruction of Jerusalem was referred to in scripture as a "coming of the Lord "

TOTAL **PRETERIST**

Same as Partial **Preterist** except they believe all prophecy was fulfilled when the Lord came in judgement against Jerusalem in 70 AD, that he resurrected the dead at that time, and that we who are alive and remain will be caught up to meet the Lord as we die. They believe the world will never end and the Kingdom of God (Church age) will never end because the scriptures teach that it is an everlasting Kingdom that will never be destroyed.

These explanations are not all that needs to be said about these subjects, but at least they will give us the major differences we need to consider as we look at what Jesus and his apostles said about The Coming of the Lord, The Last Days, and the End of the World.

*All viewpoints (both Futurist and Historist) believe in the resurrection of the dead and spending eternity with Jesus as the eternal reward of the Christian. They only differ as to the timing of the resurrection and events surrounding it.

THE KEY POINT WE WANT TO LOOK AT IS WHETHER OR NOT JESUS AND THE APOSTLES TAUGHT THIS AS SOMETHING THAT WOULD HAPPEN IN THEIR GENERATION WHICH WAS TO END THE JEWISH AGE (WORLD), OR AT SOME UNKNOWN TIME, THOUSANDS OF YEARS LATER IN THE FUTURE.

The Bible is Very Clear

The Bible is very clear on the statements Jesus and his apostles made concerning these subjects. This leaves you only with the choice of whether or not you are going to accept their statements in the New Testament as being divinely inspired and true, or whether you are going to say they were in error when they made their statements.

If they were in error then that would mean their statements where the assumptions and opinions of misled men rather than the inspired word of God.

WOULD ANYONE EVER SAY JESUS AND THE APOSTLES WERE WRONG ABOUT AN ISSUE?

This is exactly what some men have stated even in the Apostolic ranks when pressed about this issue.

"THE PENTECOSTAL HERALD "

ONE OF OUR NATIONAL LEADERS MADE THIS STATEMENT IN AN EFFORT TO DEFEND THE FUTURIST VIEWPOINT. "The Apostles preached the coming of the Lord in the last days because they thought it was the last days, I preach the coming of the Lord in the last days because it is the last days." This statement clearly holds the position that the Apostles were writing what they thought, and were there by in error. It also states that this national

leader of today has revelation of truth greater than the Apostles did of Jesus' day.

If the Apostles' teachings are in error on these subjects, then how many other subjects were they in error on? This line of reasoning would bring into question their teachings on the plan of salvation, holiness, and every other subject as well. To take this position is to leave you with no basis on which to determine truth, because YOU are then saying the New Testament contains erroneous statements.

MAJOR ENDTIME TEACHER

A BROTHER THAT USED TO WORK VERY CLOSELY WITH A MAN THAT HAS BECOME ONE OF THE APOSTOLIC CHURCH'S BIGGEST TEACHERS ON THE SUBJECT OF ENDTIME PROPHECY (WITH A RADIO BROADCAST, BOOKS, VIDEOS, AND MAGAZINE PUBLICATIONS), WHAT KIND OF AN ANSWER THE TEACHER GAVE WHEN ASKED ABOUT THE STATEMENTS MADE IN THE NEW TESTAMENT ON THIS SUBJECT.

His answer was: The Apostles were mistaken in their interpretation of what time period Jesus was referring to, but that mistake saved the lives of those in the early church when they fled from Jerusalem in 70 AD.

Was Jesus a Deceiver?

AGNOSTICS, JUDAISM, ISLAM, HINDUISM, AND OTHER CRITICIZERS OF CHRISTIANITY HAVE FOR MANY YEARS USED THESE STATEMENTS ON THE SUBJECT OF HIS COMING FOUND IN THE NEW TESTAMENT BY JESUS AND HIS APOSTLES TO SAY THAT HE WAS A FALSE PROPHET AND A DECEIVER, AND COULD NOT BE THE SON OF GOD OR THE MESSIAH BECAUSE HE CLAIMED HE WAS COMING IN THAT GENERATION AS DID HIS APOSTLES, BUT HE DIDN'T COME, SO THAT PROVES HIM FALSE.

To take the position that statements made in the New Testament were in error in order to make a futurist viewpoint correct is to side with the agnostics and critics of Christianity and to take away all foundation for determining what is truth. The very scriptures most of us have ignored for years and refused to deal with are the very same scriptures critics have used to say Jesus is a false prophet. R. C. Sproul mentions some of these critics and quotes their statements in his book "The Last Days According To Jesus" which contains a

partial **Preterist** viewpoint.

Can the writers of the Bible be trusted?

([Luke 1:3](#)) It seemed good to me also, having had perfect understanding of all things from the very first, to write unto thee in order, most excellent Theophilus,

([Luke 24:45](#)) Then opened he their understanding, that they might understand the scriptures,

([John 17:20](#)) Neither pray I for these alone, but for them also which shall believe on me through their word;

([John 17:17-18](#)) Sanctify them through thy truth: thy word is truth. As thou hast sent me into the world even so have I also sent them into the world.

([Gal 1:8-9](#)) But though we, or an angel from heaven, preach any other gospel unto you than that which we have preached unto you, let him be accursed. As we said before, so say I now again, If any man preach any other gospel unto you than that ye have received, let him be accursed.

([2 Tim 3:16](#)) All scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness:

([Rev 22:18-19](#)) For I testify unto every man that heareth the words of the prophecy of this book, If any man shall add unto these things, God shall add unto him the plagues that are written in this book: And if any man shall take away from the words of the book of this prophecy, God shall take away his part out of the book of life, and out of the holy city, and from the things which are written in this book.

([Rom 3:4](#)) God forbid: yea, let God be true but every man a liar; as it is written, That thou mightest be justified in thy sayings, and mightest overcome when thou art judged.

NOW LET'S READ AND DISCUSS SOME OF THE SCRIPTURES THAT CONTAIN THE STATEMENTS MADE ON THOSE SUBJECTS BY JESUS AND THE APOSTLES.

JESUS (To his Disciples)

[\(Mat 10:23\)](#) But when they persecute you in this city, flee ye into another: for verily I say unto you, ye shall not have gone over the cities of Israel! till the Son of man be come.

Here he tells the disciples that he will come before they would be able to cover all of the cities of Israel. This fact denotes a coming in their generation. What people have failed to realize (but will be forced to admit by the time we cover all these scriptures) is that the Lord coming in judgement against Jerusalem was referred to by Jesus and his Apostles as a 'coming of the Lord.'

[\(Mat 16:27\)](#) For the Son of man shall come in the glory of his Father with his angels; and then he shall reward every man according to his works.

[\(Mat 16:28\)](#) Verily I say unto you, There be some standing here, which shall not taste of death, till they see the Son of man coming in his kingdom.

This scripture does not leave any doubt that Jesus was referring to his coming in their generation. He said that some of them there would still be alive to see it. This would be a coming in which he would reward every man according to his works which is another statement men tend to always put in the future, but Jesus said it would happen before all of them had died. This scripture leaves no room for debate. Either he came in their generation or he didn't which would make him the false prophet that the critics say he is. In an effort to explain this some say this is referring to the Holy Ghost's outpouring; that doesn't fit-in with the rest of the Bible's language regarding these subjects; however it does fit in with his rewarding the wicked in the book of Revelation and other places.

Jesus confirmed this again when he spoke to Peter concerning John.

[John 21:18-24](#)

18 Verily, verily, I say unto thee, When thou wast young, thou girdedst thyself, and walkedst whither thou wouldest: but when thou shalt be old, thou shalt stretch forth thy hands, and another shall gird thee, and carry thee whither thou wouldest not.

19 This spake he, signifying by what death he should glorify God. And when he had spoken this, he saith unto him, Follow me.

20 Then Peter, turning about, seeth the disciple whom Jesus loved following; which also leaned on his breast at supper, and said, Lord, which is he that

betrayeth thee?

21 Peter seeing him saith to Jesus, Lord, and what shall this man do?

22 Jesus saith unto him, If I will that he tarry till I come, what is that to thee? follow thou me.

23 Then went this saying abroad among the brethren, that that disciple should not die: yet Jesus said not unto him, He shall not die; but, If I will that he tarry till I come, what is that to thee? 24 This is the disciple which testifieth of these things, and wrote these things: and we know that his testimony is true.

Jesus was saying here that Peter would die for the glory of God, but that He may allow John to live to see his coming, which means it would have to take place in that generation for John to be alive to see it. History declares John to have been the only apostle that was still alive at the destruction of Jerusalem in 70 AD, which would make Jesus' statement an absolute truth, provided that the coming he was referring to was the destruction of Jerusalem.

JESUS QUOTING FROM DANIEL TOLD THE HIGH PREIST AND THE SANHEDRIN

[Matt 26:63-66](#)

63 But Jesus held his peace. And the high priest answered and said unto him, I adjure thee by the living God, that thou tell us whether thou be the Christ, the Son of God.

64 Jesus saith unto him, Thou hast said: nevertheless I say unto you, Hereafter shall ye see the Son of man sitting on the right hand of power, and coming in the clouds of heaven.

65 Then the high priest rent his clothes, saying, He hath spoken blasphemy; what further need have we of witnesses? behold, now ye have heard his blasphemy.

66 What think ye? They answered and said, He is guilty of death.

Jesus said they would see him when he came in the clouds sitting in a place of power, which means it would have to take place in their generation. Why did this statement anger the High Priest so much? It's because he knew what he was quoting from in Daniel, and that would mean he was the Son of God. That's why Jesus said in Mathew 24 that, "immediately after the tribulation of those days you would see the sign of the son of man in the heavens." The destruction of Jerusalem and the old worship system would be the sign to the nations Jesus had all power in heaven and in earth and was now ruling as King of Kings, and the Lord of Lords in his Spiritual Kingdom --- the church.

Look at what he was quoting from in the book of Daniel.

Dan 7:13-14

13 I saw in the night visions, and, behold, one like the Son of man came with the clouds of heaven, and came to the Ancient of days, and they brought him near before him.

14 And there was given him dominion, and glory, and a kingdom, that all people, nations, and languages, should serve him: his dominion is an everlasting dominion, which shall not pass away, and his kingdom that which shall not be destroyed.

TWO AREAS THAT HAVE NOT BEEN BIBLICALLY SOUGHT OUT BY THE APOSTOLIC CHURCH AS TO THE BIBLE IMAGERY AND DEFINITIONS OF THE STATEMENTS ARE:

- (1) HIS COMING IN THE CLOUDS
- (2) THE KINGDOM OF GOD

We have always been told these are always things that are to come only in our future, and some of it may... but let's look at the Bible's language on these subjects.

COMING IN THE CLOUDS - In Old Testament imagery this usually refers to his coming in judgement on a nation and he usually used another nation's army to carry out this judgement.

Isa 19:1

1 The burden of Egypt. Behold, the LORD rideth upon a swift cloud, and shall come into Egypt: and the idols of Egypt shall be moved at his presence, and the heart of Egypt shall melt in the midst of it.

This describes his coming in Judgement on Egypt.

Jer 4:13-14

13 Behold, he shall come up as clouds, and his chariots shall be as a whirlwind: his horses are swifter than eagles. Woe unto us! for we are spoiled.

14 O Jerusalem, wash thine heart from wickedness, that thou mayest be saved. How long shall thy vain thoughts lodge within thee?

This describes his coming in judgement to spoil Jerusalem. The High Priest

and the Jews knew the language of the Old Testament. That is why they were so angry about his answer to their question about him being the Christ or not. In answering that question Jesus stated that he had the power to come in judgement against Jerusalem and that this coming would be the sign that he ruled in the heavens and that his church kingdom had been established in the earth.

Ezek 30:3

3 For the day is near, even the day of the LORD is near, a cloudy day; it shall be the time of the heathen.

Ezek 30:18-19

18 At Tehaphnehes also the day shall be darkened, when I shall break there the yokes of Egypt: and the pomp of her strength shall cease in her: as for her, a cloud shall cover her, and her daughters shall go into captivity.

19 Thus will I execute judgments in Egypt: and they shall know that I am the LORD.

Here he describes his coming in the clouds of judgement against Egypt using a heathen army.

Nahum 1:2-6

2 God is jealous, and the LORD revengeth; the LORD revengeth, and is furious; the LORD will take vengeance on his adversaries, and he reserveth wrath for his enemies.

3 The LORD is slow to anger, and great in power, and will not at all acquit the wicked: the LORD hath his way in the whirlwind and in the storm, and the clouds are the dust of his feet.

4 He rebuketh the sea, and maketh it dry, and drieth up all the rivers: Bashan languisheth, and Carmel, and the flower of Lebanon languisheth.

5 The mountains quake at him, and the hills melt, and the earth is burned at his presence, yea, the world, and all that dwell therein. 6 Who can stand before his indignation? and who can abide in the fierceness of his anger? his fury is poured out like fire, and the rocks are thrown down by him.

The Lord use's the same biblical imagery used in the book of Revelation to describe his coming in judgement and the clouds are described as the dust of the Lord's feet. One man writing against the historical viewpoint claimed Historist believed this was the dust of the Roman Army's feet as they entered

Jerusalem. I have heard of read anyone who thought this, but the scriptures declare it to be the dust of the Lord's feet in Biblical imagery as he comes in judgement.

Zeph 1:14-17

14 The great day of the LORD is near, it is near, and hasteth greatly, even the voice of the day of the LORD: the mighty man shall cry there bitterly.

15 That day is a day of wrath, a day of trouble and distress, a day of wasteness and desolation, a day of darkness and gloominess, a day of clouds and thick darkness,

16 A day of the trumpet and alarm against the fenced cities, and against the high towers.

17 And I will bring distress upon men, that they shall walk like blind men, because they have sinned against the LORD: and their blood shall be poured out as dust, and their flesh as the dung.

This once again describes the Lord coming in the clouds as a day of judgement.

Joel 2:1-11

1 Blow ye the trumpet in Zion, and sound an alarm in my holy mountain: let all the inhabitants of the land tremble: for the day of the LORD cometh, for it is nigh at hand;

2 A day of darkness and of gloominess, a day of clouds and of thick darkness, as the morning spread upon the mountains: a great people and a strong; there hath not been ever the like, neither shall be any more after it, even to the years of many generations.

3 A fire devoureth before them; and behind them a flame burneth: the land is as the garden of Eden before them, and behind them a desolate wilderness; yea, and nothing shall escape them.

4 The appearance of them is as the appearance of horses; and as horsemen, so shall they run.

5 Like the noise of chariots on the tops of mountains shall they leap, like the noise of a flame of fire that devoureth the stubble, as a strong people set in battle array.

6 Before their face the people shall be much pained: all faces shall gather blackness.

7 They shall run like mighty men; they shall climb the wall like men of war; and they shall march every one on his ways, and they shall not break their ranks:

8 Neither shall one thrust another; they shall walk every one in his path: and

when they fall upon the sword, they shall not be wounded.

9 They shall run to and fro in the city; they shall run upon the wall, they shall climb up upon the houses; they shall enter in at the windows like a thief.

10 The earth shall quake before them; the heavens shall tremble: the sun and the moon shall be dark, and the stars shall withdraw their shining:

11 And the LORD shall utter his voice before his army: for his camp is very great: for he is strong that executeth his word: for the day of the LORD is great and very terrible; and who can abide it?

This again proves that his coming in the clouds is used to describe the judgements of God on a nation using another nation's army to carry out his judgement. He even use's in verse 10 the same biblical imagery used in Matthew 24 and [Rev. 6](#) to describe what was happening after the destruction of Jerusalem. Many try to say this is a literal happening at the end of this physical earth, but the same prophecy has been used and fulfilled three other times in the Old Testament. God said in the Old Testament that the sun, moon, and stars were for a sign and to rule.

[Gen 1:14](#)

14 And God said, Let there be lights in the firmament of the heaven to divide the day from the night; and let them be for signs, and for seasons, and for days, and years:

[Gen 1:16](#)

16 And God made two great lights; the greater light to rule the day, and the lesser light to rule the night: he made the stars also.

Remember Joseph's dream - It used these symbols to denote human government.

[Gen 37:9-10](#)

9 And he dreamed yet another dream, and told it his brethren, and said, Behold, I have dreamed a dream more; and, behold, the sun and the moon and the eleven stars made obeisance to me.

10 And he told it to his father, and to his brethren: and his father rebuked him, and said unto him, What is this dream that thou hast dreamed? Shall I and thy mother and thy brethren indeed come to bow down ourselves to thee to the earth?

PROPHECY OF THE DESTRUCTION OF BABYLON IN THE O.T.

Isa 13:9-11

9 Behold, the day of the LORD cometh, cruel both with wrath and fierce anger, to lay the land desolate: and he shall destroy the sinners thereof out of it.

10 For the stars of heaven and the constellations thereof shall not give their light: the sun shall be darkened in his going forth, and the moon shall not cause her light to shine.

11 And I will punish the world for their evil, and the wicked for their iniquity; and I will cause the arrogancy of the proud to cease, and will lay low the haughtiness of the terrible.

The actual fulfillment of this was that the Medes and Persians came with their armies and defeated the King of Babylon and took over the city.

THE DESTRUCTION OF EGYPT

Ezek 32:7-8

7 And when I shall put thee out, I will cover the heaven, and make the stars thereof dark; I will cover the sun with a cloud, and the moon shall not give her light.

8 All the bright lights of heaven will I make dark over thee, and set darkness upon thy land, saith the Lord GOD.

The actual fulfillment of this was Egypt's defeat at the hands of another army, and describes a change in government.

THE DEFEAT OF IDUMEA AND BOZRAH

Isa 34:4

4 And all the host of heaven shall be dissolved, and the heavens shall be rolled together as a scroll: and all their host shall fall down, as the leaf falleth off from the vine, and as a falling fig from the fig tree.

THIS IS THE SAME LANGUAGE AS THE WRATH OF REVELATION 6

Rev 6:13-16

13 And the stars of heaven fell unto the earth, even as a fig tree casteth her untimely figs, when she is shaken of a mighty wind. 14 And the heaven departed as a scroll when it is rolled together; and every mountain and island were moved out of their

places.

15 And the kings of the earth, and the great men, and the rich men, and the chief captains, and the mighty men, and every bondman, and every free man, hid themselves in the dens and in the rocks of the mountains;
16 And said to the mountains and rocks, Fall on us, and hide us from the face of him that sitteth on the throne, and from the wrath of the Lamb:

THIS IS THE SAME AS LUKE 23:28-30

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28 But Jesus turning unto them said, Daughters of Jerusalem, weep not for me, but weep for yourselves, and for your children.

29 For, behold, the days are coming, in the which they shall say, Blessed are the barren, and the wombs that never bare, and the paps which never gave suck.

30 Then shall they begin to say to the mountains, Fall on us; and to the hills, Cover us.

This shows that the things happening in Rev. are happening to the people of that generation and their children. It is nothing more than the biblical imagery of the destruction of Jerusalem as we will see later. The heavenly shaking described in [Mat. 24:29](#) is also prophesied in Haggai and quoted in [Heb. 12](#) as being the transition from law to grace and the only thing left standing after that would be his kingdom that cannot be moved. He has put the lights out on natural Jerusalem and the old worship system of animal sacrifices, because his church, the New Jerusalem, is now the light of the world, and gets it's light from the Sun of Righteousness. This is the sign his Kingdom has been thoroughly established in the earth.

Matt 24:27-28

27 For as the lightning cometh out of the east, and shineth even unto the west; so shall also the coming of the Son of man be.

28 For wheresoever the carcase is, there will the eagles be gathered together.

EAGLES - aetos, ah-et-os' - (Vines Dictionary of New Testament Words) = "An eagle (also a vulture), is perhaps connected with aemi, to blow, as of the wind, on account of it's wind like flight. In [Matt. 24:28](#) and [Luke 17:37](#) the vultures were probably intended. The meaning seems to be that, as these birds of prey gather where the carcase is, so the judgements of God will descend upon the corrupt state of humanity. The figure of the eagle is used

in [Eze. 17](#) to represent the great powers of Egypt and Babylon, as being employed to punish corrupt and faithless Israel."

Most other translations, other than the KJV use "vultures" instead of "eagles".

([Matt. 24:28 NRSV](#)) Wherever the corpse is, there the vultures will gather.

([Matt 24:28 NASB](#)) "Wherever the corpse is, there the vultures will gather.

([Matt 24:28 NIV](#)) Wherever there is a carcass, there the vultures will gather.

This is the vulture's feast of [Luke 17:37](#), [Rev. 19:17-18](#), & [Eze. 39:17-23](#)

[Matt 24:29-31](#)

29 Immediately after the tribulation of those days shall the sun be darkened, and the moon shall not give her light, and the stars shall fall from heaven, and the powers of the heavens shall be shaken: 30 And then shall appear the sign of the Son of man in heaven:

and then shall all the tribes of the earth mourn, and they shall see the Son of man coming in the clouds of heaven with power and great glory.

31 And he shall send his angels with a great sound of a trumpet, and they shall gather together his elect from the four winds, from one end of heaven to the other.

Jesus is using the same Biblical imagery used in the Old Testament to describe a judgement on a nation and change of government or covenants. Jeremiah 31 is an example of this.

[Jer 31:31-36](#)

31 Behold, the days come, saith the LORD, that I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel, and with the house of Judah:

32 Not according to the covenant that I made with their fathers in the day that I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt; which my covenant they brake, although I was an husband unto them, saith the LORD:

33 But this shall be the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel; After those days, saith the LORD, I will put my law in their inward parts, and write it in their hearts; and will be their God, and they shall be my people.

34 And they shall teach no more every man his neighbour, and every man his brother, saying, Know the LORD: for they shall all know me,

from the least of them unto the greatest of them, saith the LORD: for I will forgive their iniquity, and I will remember their sin no more.

35 Thus saith the LORD, which giveth the sun for a light by day, and the ordinances of the moon and of the stars for a light by night, which divideth the sea when the waves thereof roar; The LORD of hosts is his name:

36 If those ordinances depart from before me, saith the LORD, then the seed of Israel also shall cease from being a nation before me for ever.

(KJV)

Rom. Chapter 11 is drawn from the scriptures of Jeremiah 31, saying that Natural Israel is not cut off by God, but by her own unbelief in the New Covenant, but she can be grafted into the Vine (Jesus Christ) anytime she will quit abiding in unbelief. This is dealing with her refusal to change covenants. Here he includes the sun, moon, and stars, when mentioning the changing of covenants and his church becoming the new light of the world. Jesus told his disciples in [Matt. 5:14](#)

[Matt 5:14](#)

14 Ye are the light of the world. A city (New Jerusalem) that is set on an hill cannot be hid.

This is quoted in [Heb. 8:8-13](#) as being the New Covenant that God has made with Israel. Look at verse 13.

[Heb 8:13](#)

13 In that he saith, A new covenant, he hath made the first old. Now that which decayeth and waxeth old is ready to vanish away.

[Heb 8:13](#)

13 By calling this covenant "new," he has made the first one obsolete; and what is obsolete and aging will soon disappear.

(NIV)

The falling of the old sun, moon, and stars can clearly be traced to a changing of covenants, but what about the heavenly shaking mentioned in the Bible?

[Matt 24:29](#)

29 Immediately after the tribulation of those days shall the sun be darkened, and the moon shall not give her light, and the stars shall fall from heaven, and the powers of the heavens shall be shaken:

This is Biblical imagery which is drawn from [Haggai 2:6-9](#) and quoted in [Hebrews 12:18-29](#). Both these passages refer to a change of covenants.

[Hag 2:6-9](#)

6 For thus saith the LORD of hosts; Yet once, it is a little while, and I will shake the heavens, and the earth, and the sea, and the dry land;

7 And I will shake all nations, and the desire of all nations shall come: and I will fill this house with glory, saith the LORD of hosts.

8 The silver is mine, and the gold is mine, saith the LORD of hosts.

9 The glory of this latter house shall be greater than of the former, saith the LORD of hosts: and in this place will I give peace, saith the LORD of hosts.

Now look at [Hebrews 12:18-29](#)

[Heb 12:18-29](#)

18 For ye are not come unto the mount (Law) that might be touched, and that burned with fire, nor unto blackness, and darkness, and tempest,

19 And the sound of a trumpet, and the voice of words; which voice they that heard intreated that the word should not be spoken to them any more:

20 (For they could not endure that which was commanded, And if so much as a beast touch the mountain, it shall be stoned, or thrust through with a dart:

21 And so terrible was the sight, that Moses said, I exceedingly fear and quake:)

22 But ye are come unto mount Sion, and unto the city of the living God, the heavenly Jerusalem, and to an innumerable company of angels,

23 To the general assembly and church of the firstborn, which are written in heaven, and to God the Judge of all, and to the spirits of just men made perfect,

24 And to Jesus the mediator of the new covenant, and to the blood of sprinkling, that speaketh better things than that of Abel. 25 See that ye refuse not him that speaketh. For if they escaped not who refused him that spake on earth, much more shall not we escape, if we turn away from him that speaketh from heaven:

26 Whose voice then shook the earth: but now he hath promised,

saying, Yet once more I shake not the earth only, but also heaven. 27 And this word, Yet once more, signifieth the removing of those things that are shaken, as of things that are made, that those things which cannot be shaken may remain.

28 Wherefore we receiving a kingdom which cannot be moved, let us have grace, whereby we may serve God acceptably with reverence and godly fear:

29 For our God is a consuming fire.

Joel prophesied both Pentecost and Holocaust when he prophesied the outpouring of God's Spirit on all flesh and the sun being turned to darkness and the moon to blood before the Day of the Lord. Peter confirmed this in Acts 2 as being that spoken by Joel when the Holy Ghost fell. He claimed this was happening in the last days and they knew the day of Judgement was soon to follow on those that rejected this kingdom.

Acts 2:16

16 But this is that which was spoken by the prophet Joel;

HOLY GHOST OUTPOURING

Acts 2:17-18

17 And it shall come to pass in the last days, saith God, I will pour out of my Spirit upon all flesh: and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, and your young men shall see visions, and your old men shall dream dreams:

18 And on my servants and on my handmaidens I will pour out in those days of my Spirit; and they shall prophesy:

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Acts 2:19-21

19 And I will shew wonders in heaven above, and signs in the earth beneath; blood, and fire, and vapour of smoke:

20 The sun shall be turned into darkness, and the moon into blood, before that great and notable day of the Lord come:

21 And it shall come to pass, that whosoever shall call on the name of the Lord shall be saved.

It becomes very clear that Jesus and the New Testament writers were using Biblical imagery to describe the destruction of Jerusalem, the ending of the old worship system, and the change from Law to Grace.

WHAT IS THE KINGDOM OF GOD ACCORDING TO THE BIBLE?

Matt 3:1-2

1 In those days came John the Baptist, preaching in the wilderness of Judaea,

2 And saying, Repent ye: for the kingdom of heaven is at hand.

Matt 4:17

17 From that time Jesus began to preach, and to say, Repent: for the kingdom of heaven is at hand.

HE THEN SENT OUT HIS DISCIPLES

Matt 10:7

7 And as ye go, preach, saying, The kingdom of heaven is at hand.

JESUS SAID...

Matt 12:28

28 But if I cast out devils by the Spirit of God, then the kingdom of God is come unto you.

John 18:36

36 Jesus answered, My kingdom is not of this world: if my kingdom were of this world, then would my servants fight, that I should not be delivered to the Jews: but now is my kingdom not from hence.

Luke 17:20-21

20 And when he was demanded of the Pharisees, when the kingdom of God should come, he answered them and said, The kingdom of God cometh not with observation:

21 Neither shall they say, Lo here! or, lo there! for, behold, the kingdom of God is within you.

He was telling them here that it is a spiritual kingdom and not a physical kingdom as most men teach it to be.

Rom 14:17

17 For the kingdom of God is not meat and drink; but righteousness, and

peace, and joy in the Holy Ghost.

John 3:5

5 Jesus answered, Verily, verily, I say unto thee, Except a man be born of water and of the Spirit, he cannot enter into the kingdom of God.

It is easy to see that Jesus and his Apostles believed the Kingdom of God to be the Spirit of God indwelling in the hearts of believers after they are born again. Does this do away with the fact that we will spend eternity with the Lord forever after our death and resurrection? Absolutely not! That is the hope and promise of every true Christian, but it does not change the fact that his church is called the kingdom of God in the Bible. I am not teaching kingdom now doctrine as some mean teach it, but I am teaching the church kingdom now.

WITH THESE POINTS ESTABLISHED, YOU CAN UNDERSTAND THAT HIS "COMING IN THE CLOUDS" DEALS WITH HIS JUDGEMENT ON JERUSALEM AND THE FULL ESTABLISHMENT OF HIS KINGDOM IN THE EARTH.

NOW LET US NOW RETURN TO MORE OF THE STATEMENTS JESUS AND HIS APOSTLES MADE ON THESE SUBJECTS.

Matt 24:1-2

1 And Jesus went out, and departed from the temple: and his disciples came to him for to shew him the buildings of the temple. 2 And Jesus said unto them, See ye not all these things? verily I say unto you, There shall not be left here one stone upon another, that shall not be thrown down.

THIS WAS FULFILLED IN THEIR DAY AT THE DESTRUCTION OF JERUSALEM.

Matt 24:3

3 And as he sat upon the mount of Olives, the disciples came unto him privately, saying, Tell us, when shall these things be? and what shall be the sign of thy coming, and of the end of the world?

Matt 24:34

34 Verily I say unto you, This generation shall not pass, till all these things be fulfilled.

They were not dividing this out but were asking for the one sign that would bring about the destruction of Jerusalem, the temple, the coming of the Lord, and the end of the age in their generation. They asked this because Jesus had plainly told them that some of them would still be alive to see this take place.

Mark 13:4

4 Tell us, when shall these things be? and what shall be the sign when all these things shall be fulfilled?

To understand how this was also the end of the world, you need to understand the differences of the three Greek words translated world in the KJV.

WORLD - COSMOS 2889, kosmos, kos'-mos; prob. From the base of G2865; orderly arrangement, i.e. decoration; by impl. the world (in a wide or narrow sense, include. Its inhab, lit. or fig [mor.]):-- adorning, world.

EXAMPLE

Matt 4:8

8 Again, the devil taketh him up into an exceeding high mountain, and sheweth him all the kingdoms of the world, and the glory of them;

This means the physical earth and its inhabitants, This is the meaning most people put on the word world in the N.T. regardless of which word is being used, and that's one of the main reasons for all the misinterpretations of the scriptures.

WORLD - 165. Aion, ahee-ohn'; from the same as G104; prop. An age; by extens. Perpetuity (also past); by impl. the world; spec. (Jewish) a Messianic period (present or future): - age, course, eternal, (for) ever (-more), [n-] ever, (beginning of the, while the) world (began, without end). Comp G5550

Heb 1:1-2

1 God, who at sundry times and in divers manners spake in time past unto the fathers by the prophets,
2 Hath in these last days spoken unto us by his Son, whom he hath appointed heir of all things, by whom also he made the worlds;

[Heb 9:26](#)

26 For then must he often have suffered since the foundation of the world: but now once in the end of the world hath he appeared to put away sin by the sacrifice of himself.

This says Jesus died at the end of the world. Is that still future as well? It means the age. His death ended the age of Law and brought in the Church age and the New Covenant which was purchased by his blood at his death.

[Heb 10:25](#)

25 Not forsaking the assembling of ourselves together, as the manner of some is; but exhorting one another: and so much the more, as ye see the day approaching.

[Heb 10:37](#)

37 For yet a little while, and he that shall come will come, and will not tarry.

[1 Pet 1:20](#)

20 Who verily was foreordained before the foundation of the world, but was manifest in these last times for you,

[1 Cor 10:11](#)

11 Now all these things happened unto them for ensamples: and they are written for our admonition, upon whom the ends of the world are come.

WORLD - 3625. Oikoumene, oy-kou-men'-ay; fem. Part. Pres. Pass. Of G3611 (as noun, by impl. of G1093); land, i.e. the (terrene part of the) globe; spec. the Roman empire: - earth, world.

EXAMPLE

[Matt 24:14](#)

14 And this gospel of the kingdom shall be preached in all the world for a witness unto all nations; and then shall the end come.

Most scholars say this refers to the inhabited part of the earth, their known inhabited part, or more specifically the Roman empire of their day. A brief look at a few scriptures will show this is something that was fulfilled in their day before the end came at Jerusalem.

Rom 1:8

8 First, I thank my God through Jesus Christ for you all, that your faith is spoken of throughout the whole world.

Rom 10:18

18 But I say, Have they not heard? Yes verily, their sound went into all the earth, and their words unto the ends of the world.

Col 1:5-6

5 For the hope which is laid up for you in heaven, whereof ye heard before in the word of the truth of the gospel;

6 Which is come unto you, as it is in all the world; and bringeth forth fruit, as it doth also in you, since the day ye heard of it, and knew the grace of God in truth:

Col 1:23

23 If ye continue in the faith grounded and settled, and be not moved away from the hope of the gospel, which ye have heard, and which was preached to every creature which is under heaven; whereof I Paul am made a minister;

Rom 16:25-26

25 Now to him that is of power to stablish you according to my gospel, and the preaching of Jesus Christ, according to the revelation of the mystery, which was kept secret since the world began,

26 But now is made manifest, and by the scriptures of the prophets, according to the commandment of the everlasting God, made known to all nations for the obedience of faith:

"All the world" meant the inhabited world they knew in their day.

Luke 2:1

1 And it came to pass in those days, that there went out a decree from Caesar Augustus, that all the world should be taxed.

Acts 11:28

28 And there stood up one of them named Agabus, and signified by the spirit that there should be great dearth throughout all the world: which came to pass in the days of Claudius Caesar.

THE NEXT SCRIPTURE IN MAT. 24:15 GIVES THE KEY SIGN OF THE TIME OF THE END. THIS IS THE ABOMINATION OF DESOLATION WHICH

WAS REVEALED BY LUKE TO BE THE ARMIES SURROUNDING JERUSALEM. WHEN THE EARLY CHURCH SAW THAT THEY KNEW IT WAS THE TIME TO FLEE BECAUSE ALL THREE THINGS WERE ABOUT TO TAKE PLACE.

TO PROVE THIS WE SIMPLY COMPARE MATTHEW AND LUKE

Matt 24:15

15 When ye therefore shall see the abomination of desolation, spoken of by Daniel the prophet, stand in the holy place, (whoso readeth, let him understand:)

Proof this could not be referring to some future antichrist stopping animal sacrifices is found in the next verses. How could those in the country know what was happening in the temple?

Matt 24:16-22

16 Then let them which be in Judaea flee into the mountains:

17 Let him which is on the housetop not come down to take any thing out of his house:

18 Neither let him which is in the field return back to take his clothes.

19 And woe unto them that are with child, and to them that give suck in those days!

20 But pray ye that your flight be not in the winter, neither on the sabbath day:

21 For then shall be great tribulation, such as was not since the beginning of the world to this time, no, nor ever shall be.

22 And except those days should be shortened, there should no flesh be saved: but for the elect's sake those days shall be shortened.

Luke made the same statement except he revealed what the abomination was.

Luke 21:20-24

20 And when ye shall see Jerusalem compassed with armies, then know that the desolation thereof is nigh.

21 Then let them which are in Judaea flee to the mountains; and let them which are in the midst of it depart out; and let not them that are in the countries enter thereinto.

22 For these be the days of vengeance, that all things which are written may be fulfilled.

23 But woe unto them that are with child, and to them that give suck, in those

days! for there shall be great distress in the land, and wrath upon this people.
24 And they shall fall by the edge of the sword, and shall be led away captive into all nations: and Jerusalem shall be trodden down of the Gentiles, until the times of the Gentiles be fulfilled.

I believe this is the time allotted to the Gentiles in prophecy for the destruction of Jerusalem. (42 months)

42 MONTHS

Rev 11:1-2

1 And there was given me a reed like unto a rod: and the angel stood, saying, Rise, and measure the temple of God, and the altar, and them that worship therein.

2 But the court which is without the temple leave out, and measure it not; for it is given unto the Gentiles: and the holy city shall they tread under foot forty and two months.

Dan 12:6-9

6 And one said to the man clothed in linen, which was upon the waters of the river, How long shall it be to the end of these wonders? 7 And I heard the man clothed in linen, which was upon the waters of the river, when he held up his right hand and his left hand unto heaven, and swore by him that liveth for ever that it shall be for a time, times, and an half; and when he shall have accomplished to scatter the power of the holy people, all these things shall be finished.

8 And I heard, but I understood not: then said I, O my Lord, what shall be the end of these things?

9 And he said, Go thy way, Daniel: for the words are closed up and sealed till the time of the end. (It turned out to be over 500 years later)

COMPARE THIS WITH THE LANGUAGE OF THE BOOK OF REVELATION

Rev 1:1

1 The Revelation of Jesus Christ, which God gave unto him, to shew unto his servants things which must shortly come to pass; and he sent and signified it by his angel unto his servant John:

Rev 1:3

3 Blessed is he that readeth, and they that hear the words of this prophecy, and keep those things which are written therein: for the time is at hand.

Rev 1:7

7 Behold, he cometh with clouds; and every eye shall see him, and they also which pierced him: and all kindreds of the earth shall wail because of him. Even so, Amen.

Rev 22:6-7

6 And he said unto me, These sayings are faithful and true: and the Lord God of the holy prophets sent his angel to shew unto his servants the things which must shortly be done.

7 Behold, I come quickly: blessed is he that keepeth the sayings of the prophecy of this book.

Rev 22:10

10 And he saith unto me, Seal not the sayings of the prophecy of this book: for the time is at hand.

Rev 22:12

12 And, behold, I come quickly; and my reward is with me, to give every man according as his work shall be.

Remember, Jesus said that some of them would still be alive when he came back to give his rewards.

Rev 22:20

20 He which testifieth these things saith, Surely I come quickly. Amen. Even so, come, Lord Jesus.

I BELIEVE, ALONG WITH MANY SCHOLARS AND WRITERS THAT THE BOOK OF REVELATION (MOST OR ALL) WAS TO BE FULFILLED DURING THE AGE IT WAS WRITTEN. IT WAS WRITTEN BEFORE THE FALL OF JERUSALEM AND IN THE DAYS OF THE SIXTH KING - NERO (THE FALL OF JERUSALEM OCCURRED IN THE DAY OF THE TENTH KING - VESPASIAN).

LATER DATE WRITERS HAVE CONSTANTLY QUOTED THE WORDS OF ONE MAN - IRANEUS. HE WROTE OVER 100 YEARS AFTER JOHN WAS BANISHED TO PATMOS. HE IS ALSO THE SAME WRITER THAT SAID THAT JESUS PREACHED UP TO THE AGE OF 40 AND 50. HOW CAN I TRUST HIM ON HIS DATING OF REVELATION IF HE IS THAT WRONG ABOUT THE AGE OF JESUS?

THE "LAST DAYS" AND "THE END OF THE WORLD" WERE USED MOST OF THE TIME IN THE NEW TESTAMENT IN REFERENCE TO THE LAST DAYS OF THE JEWISH AGE OF LAW KEEPING, NOT TO A FUTURE TIME AT THE END OF THE PHYSICAL WORLD.

THIS "LAST DAYS OF THE JEWISH AGE" WAS SPIRITUALLY ENDED WITH THE DEATH OF JESUS, BUT WAS PHYSICALLY AND LITERALLY ENDED WITH THE DESTRUCTION OF JERUSALEM AND ITS OLD WORSHIP SYSTEM. THIS DESTRUCTION SERVES AS THE SIGN THAT THE SON OF MAN IS RULING IN HIS KINGDOM.

LET'S LOOK NOW AT SOME OTHER STATEMENTS MADE IN THE NEW TESTAMENT THAT PROVES THIS.

PAUL SAID....

[Rom 16:20](#)

20 And the God of peace shall bruise Satan under your feet shortly. The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you. Amen.

Many scholars say this has to be referring to the destruction of Jerusalem and the old worship system. If that is true and it seems that it has to be so, then why are Christians today trying to resurrect a system that was called Satan in the Bible and was destroyed by God himself because it was inefficient to bring salvation to mankind.

[1 Cor 7:29](#)

29 But this I say, brethren, the time is short: it remaineth, that both they that have wives be as though they had none;

PETER SAID...

[1 Pet 4:7](#)

7 But the end of all things is at hand: be ye therefore sober, and watch unto prayer.

HE WROTE THIS A FEW YEARS BEFORE THE FALL OF JERUSALEM

[1 Pet 4:17](#)

17 For the time is come that judgment must begin at the house of God: and if

it first begin at us, what shall the end be of them that obey not the gospel of God?

PAUL ANSWERED THIS AS HE WROTE TO THE PERSECUTED CHURCH AT THESSALONICA AND ASSURED THEM GOD WAS ABOUT TO POUR OUT HIS WRATH UPON THOSE THAT WERE PERSECUTING THEM.

II Th 1:3-10

3 We are bound to thank God always for you, brethren, as it is meet, because that your faith groweth exceedingly, and the charity of every one of you all toward each other aboundeth;

4 So that we ourselves glory in you in the churches of God for your patience and faith in all your persecutions and tribulations that ye endure:

5 Which is a manifest token of the righteous judgment of God, that ye may be counted worthy of the kingdom of God, for which ye also suffer:

6 Seeing it is a righteous thing with God to recompense tribulation to them that trouble you; (He spoke this as though it would happen in their day)

7 And to you who are troubled rest with us, when the Lord Jesus shall be revealed from heaven with his mighty angels,

8 In flaming fire taking vengeance on them that know not God, and that obey not the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ:

9 Who shall be punished with everlasting destruction from the presence of the Lord, and from the glory of his power;

10 When he shall come to be glorified in his saints, and to be admired in all them that believe (because our testimony among you was believed) in that day.

JAMES SAID...

James 5:7-9

7 Be patient therefore, brethren, unto the coming of the Lord. Behold, the husbandman waiteth for the precious fruit of the earth, and hath long patience for it, until he receive the early and latter rain.

8 Be ye also patient; stablish your hearts: for the coming of the Lord draweth nigh.

9 Grudge not one against another, brethren, lest ye be condemned: behold, the judge standeth before the door.

JOHN SAID...

[1 Jn 2:18](#)

18 Little children, it is the last time: and as ye have heard that antichrist shall come, even now are there many antichrists; whereby we know that it is the last time.

JESUS SAID...

[Matt 24:34](#)

34 Verily I say unto you, This generation shall not pass, till all these things be fulfilled.

[Luke 21:22](#)

22 For these be the days of vengeance, that all things which are written may be fulfilled.

[Luke 21:32](#)

32 Verily I say unto you, This generation shall not pass away, till all be fulfilled.

To what generation was he referring - the generation then, or to some future generation? Jesus answered that question by saying some of them would still be alive when it happens in Matthew 23 he set the stage for this teaching and states very clearly to which generation he was referring.

Before we read in Matthew 23, let's read the book of Revelation's description of Babylon the Great because the identity of Babylon the Great is revealed in Matthew 23 as well.

Babylon the Great

[Rev 16:6](#)

6 For they have shed the blood of saints and prophets, and thou hast given them blood to drink; for they are worthy.

[Rev 18:20](#)

20 Rejoice over her, thou heaven, and ye holy apostles and prophets; for God hath avenged you on her.

[Rev 18:24](#)

24 And in her was found the blood of prophets, and of saints, and of all that were slain upon the earth.

Rev 19:2

2 For true and righteous are his judgments: for he hath judged the great whore, which did corrupt the earth with her fornication, and hath avenged the blood of his servants at her hand.

Rev 11:8

8 And their dead bodies shall lie in the street of the great city, which spiritually is called Sodom and Egypt, where also our Lord was crucified.

THE WORDS OF JESUS IN MATTHEW 23

Matt 23:29-39

29 Woe unto you, scribes and Pharisees, hypocrites! because ye build the tombs of the prophets, and garnish the sepulchres of the righteous,

30 And say, If we had been in the days of our fathers, we would not have been partakers with them in the blood of the prophets.

31 Wherefore ye be witnesses unto yourselves, that ye are the children of them which killed the prophets.

32 Fill ye up then the measure of your fathers. (Finish the transgression)

33 Ye serpents, ye generation of vipers, how can ye escape the damnation of hell?

34 Wherefore, behold, I send unto you prophets, and wise men, and scribes: and some of them ye shall kill and crucify; and some of them shall ye scourge in your synagogues, and persecute them from city to city:

35 That upon you may come all the righteous blood shed upon the earth, from the blood of righteous Abel unto the blood of Zacharias son of Barachias, whom ye slew between the temple and the altar.

36 Verily I say unto you, All these things shall come upon this generation.

37 O Jerusalem, Jerusalem, thou that killest the prophets, and stonest them which are sent unto thee, how often would I have gathered thy children together, even as a hen gathereth her chickens under her wings, and ye would not!

38 Behold, your house is left unto you desolate.

39 For I say unto you, Ye shall not see me henceforth, till ye shall say, Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord.

PAUL AGREED WITH THE WORDS OF JESUS

1Thes 2:14-16

14 For ye, brethren, became followers of the churches of God which in

Judaea are in Christ Jesus: for ye also have suffered like things of your own countrymen, even as they have of the Jews:

15 Who both killed the Lord Jesus, and their own prophets, and have persecuted us; and they please not God, and are contrary to all men:

16 Forbidding us to speak to the Gentiles that they might be saved, to fill up their sins alway: for the wrath is come upon them to the uttermost.

YOU CAN UNDERSTAND THE GATHERING OF THE ELECT IN MATTHEW 24 BY COMPARING THE DESTRUCTION OF BABYLON THE GREAT (JERUSALEM), THE INVITATION TO THE MARRIAGE SUPPER, AND THE PARABLE OF THE WEDDING FEAST IN MATTHEW 22.

Matt 22:1-10

1 And Jesus answered and spake unto them again by parables, and said,

2 The kingdom of heaven is like unto a certain king, which made a marriage for his son,

3 And sent forth his servants to call them that were bidden to the wedding: and they would not come. (APOSTOLES INVITING THE JEWS TO BE SAVED)

4 Again, he sent forth other servants, saying, Tell them which are bidden, Behold, I have prepared my dinner: my oxen and my fatlings are killed, and all things are ready: come unto the marriage. (The marriage was already ready)

5 But they made light of it, and went their ways, one to his farm, another to his merchandise:

6 And the remnant took his servants, and entreated them spitefully, and slew them.

7 But when the king heard thereof, he was wroth: and he sent forth his armies, and destroyed those murderers, and burned up their city. (Jerusalem)

8 Then saith he to his servants, The wedding is ready, but they which were bidden were not worthy.

9 Go ye therefore into the highways, and as many as ye shall find, bid to the marriage.

10 So those servants went out into the highways, and gathered together all as many as they found, both bad and good: and the wedding was furnished with guests.

In Revelation, the marriage supper took place after Jerusalem was destroyed.

Rev 19:2

2 For true and righteous are his judgments: for he hath judged the great whore, which did corrupt the earth with her fornication, and hath avenged the

blood of his servants at her hand.

Rev 19:7

7 Let us be glad and rejoice, and give honour to him: for the marriage of the Lamb is come, and his wife hath made herself ready.

This compares with the marriage invitation found in Matthew 22. This took place after the city was destroyed. This also matches the sending out of his angels (messengers/preachers) to gather the elect from the four corners of the earth.

Matt 24:31

31 And he shall send his angels (messengers) with a great sound of a trumpet, (preaching of the Word) and they shall gather together his elect from the four winds, from one end of heaven to the other.

JESUS AND HIS APOSTLES TAUGHT THAT THE COMING OF THE LORD, THE END OF THE WORLD (AGE), AND THE LAST DAYS WAS REFERRING PRIMARILY TO HIS COMING IN JUDGEMENT ON JERUSALEM. THEY TAUGHT THAT ALL THIS WOULD HAPPEN IN THEIR GENERATION AND WOULD BRING AN END TO THE OLD COVENANT WORSHIP SYSTEM. THIS COMING WOULD BE A SIGN TO ALL MEN THAT JESUS WAS RULING IN THE HEAVENS, AND THAT HIS KINGDOM HAD BEEN THOROUGHLY PLACED IN THE EARTH AND EVIDENCED BY PUTTING HIS SPIRIT IN THE HEARTS OF HIS PEOPLE.

I BELIEVE THE NEW COVENANT MESSAGE IS THE ONLY MESSAGE THAT WILL EVER SAVE A PERSON AND GOD WILL NEVER AGAIN TURN BACK TO LITERAL TEMPLES AND ANIMAL SACRIFICES FOR SALVATION. DISPENSATIONALIST AND FUTURIST MUST HAVE A FUTURE TEMPLE AND THE RESTORATION OF ITS SACRIFICIAL SYSTEM IN ORDER TO FULFILL THEIR PROPHETIC INTERPRETATIONS OF THE SCRIPTURES.

IN HIS LAST SPEECH, SENATOR JOE McCARTHY REVEALED THAT UNBELIEVING JEWS AND FREEMASONS PUT THIS FUTURIST TEACHING IN THE WORLD; THIS WAS DONE IN ORDER TO DECEIVE OUR CHURCHES AND BRING POLITICAL AND SPIRITUAL FAVOR TO THE NATURAL JEW. GRACE HALSELL, IN HER BOOK "FORCING GOD'S HAND," REVEALED THE SAME THING.

WHETHER WE EVER AGREE ON EVERY AREA OF PROPHECY OR NOT,
LET'S AGREE TO REACH A WORLD THAT IS LOST AND NEEDS JESUS.

Spelling mistakes above left in for people who need to correct others to make their life fulfilled.